Senate Resolution 335

By: Senators Jones of the 10th, Henson of the 41st, Miles of the 43rd, Weber of the 40th, Butler of the 55th and others

A RESOLUTION

1   Commending Southwest DeKalb High School; and for other purposes.

2   WHEREAS, Southwest DeKalb High School has received national recognition as a leader
3   for having the greatest number of African American students scoring three or better on the
4   Advanced Placement US History exam of any high school in the nation; and

5   WHEREAS, Advanced Placement courses have been shown to enhance critical thinking
6   skills and boost SAT scores, and those students successfully completing an AP course, even
7   if they score below a three on the exam, are better prepared for college; and

8   WHEREAS, 27 students who are enrolled in the school's High Achievers program have not
9   only excelled on the College Board's test but also maintain 4.0 grade point averages and are
10 active in a wide variety of extracurricular activities; and

11 WHEREAS, Southwest DeKalb High School's three AP History teachers, Jim Bailey, George
12 Cozens, and Raymond Maple, have provided excellent guidance to their students and have
13 prepared them well to meet the challenges of college level course work; and

14 WHEREAS, these meritorious teachers and students have brought great credit and honor to
15 their school, community, and the State of Georgia through their many achievements and have
16 set a laudable example for all of Georgia's high schools.

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
18 join in commending Southwest DeKalb High School for this outstanding academic
19 achievement and extend their best wishes for its continued success and the promising futures
20 of its bright young scholars.

1   BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed

2   to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Principal Kenneth Bradshaw, Southwest

3   DeKalb High School.